

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: Aravind Sitaraman, et al.  
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Group Art Unit No.: 2451  
Examiner: Alan S. Chou  
Title: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR CONTROLLING DOUBLE-ENDED SOFT PERMANENT VIRTUAL CIRCUIT/PATH CONNECTIONS

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Commissioner for Patents

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DEAR SIR:

APPLICANT'S COMMENTS ON REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE

These comments are responsive to the Second Notice of Allowance mailed on September 2, 2011, which sets forth the Examiner's statement of reasons for allowance. Applicant appreciates the Examiner's allowance of Claims 1-5 and 7-13. Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.104, Applicant respectfully issues a statement commenting on the Examiner's reasons for allowance.

Applicant respectfully disagrees with the Examiner's reasons for allowance to the extent that they are inconsistent with applicable case law, statutes, and regulations. Furthermore, Applicant does not admit to any characterization or limitation of the claims or to any characterization of a reference by the Examiner, particularly any that are inconsistent with the language of the claims considered in their entirety and including all of their constituent limitations.

Applicant respectfully reserves the right to introduce, articulate, or otherwise comment on any additional reasons for allowances as may be appropriate in any future proceedings concerning the one or more claimed embodiments.

Applicant paid the large entity Issue Fee in the amount of \$1,510 on July 14, 2011, when it filed its Comments on Reasons for Allowance together with Form PTOL-85 responding to the April 22, 2011 Notice of Allowance. Applicant respectfully requests that the Issue Fee paid on July 14, 2011 be applied towards the issue fee required by this second Notice of Allowance mailed on September 2, 2011.

Applicant believes that no additional fees are due at this time. However, if this is incorrect, , please apply any other charges or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-4889 of PATENT CAPITAL GROUP, referencing the Attorney Docket No. 032590.0212 (292536).

Respectfully submitted,

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